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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION

OF: RIECHERS ET AL.

GROUP ART UNIT: 1202

SERIAL No. 08/809,699

EXAMINER:

BRUCK KIFLE

FILED: MARCH 27, 1997

FOR: NOVEL CARBOXYLIC ACID DERIVATIVES, THEIR PREPARATION AND USE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 10, 1997, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend Claim 1 as follows:

line 1, before "A carboxylic acid", insert: --1.--
definition of R, indicated line 14: delete "[sic]" (both occurrences);
definition of R⁶, indicated line 18: delete "[sic]";
definition of R⁶, indicated line 19: delete "[sic]";
definition of ~~2~~, indicated line 37: delete "or a single bond"